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APPLICANT:	GOLD ET AL.	}	
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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Sir:

Applicant respectfully petitions for a two month extension of time, to and including June 16, 2004, to respond to the Office Action mailed January 16, 2004. The extension fee of \$420.00 is enclosed herewith. The undersigned hereby authorizes the charging of any required fees not included or any deficiency of fees submitted herewith to deposit account No. 19-5117.

Respectfully submitted,

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